
LD 54: Multifrequency Signaling Diagnostic

Multifrequency Compelled Signaling (MFC) or Multifrequency Signaling (MFE) provides a handshaking facility between the Meridian 1/Meridian SL-1 and the Central Office or Public Exchange (CO/PE) or between other PBXs over network/Tie trunks.

The XMFC card (for superloop and Option 11 only) can be used on MFC or MFE. XMFC card has four units.

The MFD overlay program is used to diagnose, display or change the status of the MFC or MFE send/receive (S/R) cards.

The program resets all available MFC or MFE cards (for channels on AXMFC card) and performs loop back tests during the midnight routines. After every SYSLOAD or power-up, all available MFC or MFE cards are initialized.

The program can be loaded by the system after every power-up (or SYSLOAD), as part of the daily routines, or loaded manually to enter commands.

Hardware Initialization after SYSLOAD

After system power-up, every idle MFC or MFE card is initialized (self-tested). During this test the card is disabled (LED on faceplate ON) and the S/R card microprocessor executes sequential loop back tests on both channels.

On power-up SYSLOAD on XMFC, pack performs self-test, LED blinks 3 times to indicate self-test pass

- Cardlan polling message indicates that XMFC pack has powered up.
- MSL-1 down loads the configuration (E0XXH)
- MSL-1 enables the card (C000H)
- Pack performs self-test again. If self-test passes (8000H), then LED is OFF and pack is enabled. If self-test fails (80XXH), LED is ON and pack is disabled.

These tests entail looping the sender output of each card to the Receiver input. The sender transmits all thirty tone pairs (1 to 15 digits for both DOD/DID modes) with a default signal level of zero. Each time the receiver detects a tone pair, the microprocessor verifies the digit received. At the end of the test the microprocessor tries to send two test results (one for each channel) to the CPU.

The CPU cannot receive the results of the test because the card is disabled. A command to enable the card is issued and the microprocessor sends the test results to the CPU.

Loop around test during daily routines

This loop around test is conducted by the system during the midnight routines. The midnight test is identical to the test conducted after power-up except for the following points:

- the midnight test is conducted on one channel at a time for all available MFC or MFE cards
- the MFC or MFE S/R card remains enabled (LED on faceplate OFF)
- the midnight self-test can also be loaded manually by issuing a command on the specified channel

Loop around test by command

The loop around tests are performed by maintenance personnel on a specified channel of the MFC or MFE S/R card. There are two types of tests:

- one is identical to the midnight test which is conducted on the specific channel
- the second is conducted on a specific channel for a specified digit and signal level

LD 54 also performs the following functions:

- resets all idle MFC or MFE cards once a day during the midnight routines
- disables MFC or MFE card or channel. It enables MFC or MFE card or channel
- determines the status of MFC card or channel
- lists all disabled MFC or MFE channels
- handles other common overlay operations (such as clear alarms)

Note 1: Use the DISL command to force-disable the MFC or MFE channel or card.

Note 2: Use the DISI command in LD 32 to disable the card when idle.

Note 3: No more than 50% of MFC channels can be disabled at one time as a result of system or manually initiated tests. However, this constraint does not apply using disable commands.

MFC/MFE error handler and counter

The MFC/MFE error handlers are resident programs that monitor the number of MFC or MFE signaling errors. A one-word error field in the MFC or MFE block is initialized to zero. The Error Handler program allows a maximum of 10 errors. After every successful use of the MFC or MFE channel, the error field will decrement by one, if it is not already at zero. After every failure of the MFC or MFE channel the error field will increment by one.

In Generic X11, the Error Handler program generates only the ERR700 L S C U message. When an Error Handler code is output, the MFD Overlay must be loaded manually and the MFC or MFE channels tested.

Basic commands

ATST I s c u	Invoke automatic loop around test for specified unit
CDSP	Clear maintenance display to 00 or blank
CMAJ	Clear major alarm and reset power fail transfer
CMIN	Clear the minor lamp on a system basis
CMIN ALL	Clear minor alarm indication on all attendant consoles
CMIN c	Clear minor alarm indication on attendant consoles for customer c (not applicable for Release 22)
DISC I s c	Disable specified MFC or MFE card
DISU I s c u	Disable specified MFC or MFE channel
END	Stop further testing or cancel active command
ENLC I s c	Enable specified MFC or MFE card
ENLU I s c u	Enable specified MFC or MFE channel
MIDN 0	Reset all idle MFC or MFE cards
MIDN 1	Initialize all idle MFC or MFE cards
MTST I s c u d l	Invoke manual loop around test on unit with specified digit and level
STAT	List all disabled MFC channels in the system
STAT I s c (u)	Get status of specified MFC or MFE card or unit

Option 11 commands

The following commands are applicable to Option 11 systems:

ATST c u	Invoke automatic loop around test for specified unit
DISC card	Disable specified XMFC/XMFE card
DISU c u	Disable specified XMFC/XMFE unit
ENLC card	Enable specified card
ENLU c u	Enable specified unit
MIDN 0	Reset all idle XMFC/XMFE cards
MIDN 1	Initialize all idle XMFC/XMFE cards
MTST c u d l	Invoke manual loop around test on unit with specified digit and level
STAT	List all disabled XMFC/XMFE channels in system
STAT card	List status of all units on card
STAT c u	List status specified TN

Alphabetical list of commands

Command	Description	Pack/Rel
ATST c u	Invoke automatic loop around test for specified unit. (Option 11)	
ATST I s c u	Invoke automatic loop around test for specified unit. Performs automatic loop around test on specified unit with default signal level of zero. All 30 tone pairs are tested and verified by the card microprocessor. Digits 1 to 15 signify Forward Signals 1 to 15 (DOD mode) and digits 16 to 30 signify Backward Signals 1 to 15 (DID mode). The response is OK when the unit passes test and is enabled. If the receiver sends no message within a predefined time period, an error message indicating time-out is printed. If the receiver indicates it has received a different signal than that sent, the failed signal, an error message and the TN are printed.	basic-1
CDSP	Clear maintenance display to 00 or blank.	basic-1
CMAJ	Clear major alarm, reset power fail transfer and clear power fault alarm.	basic-1
CMIN	Clear the minor lamp on a system basis.	alarm_filter-22
CMIN ALL	Clear minor alarm indication on all attendant consoles.	basic-1
CMIN c	Clear minor alarm indication on attendant consoles for customer c. (not applicable for Release 22)	basic-1
DISC card	Disable specified XMFC/XMFE card (Option 11)	
DISC I s c	Disable specified MFC or MFE card. LED on card is ON when disabled.	basic-1
DISU c u	Disable specified XMFC/XMFE unit (Option 11)	

DISU l s c u	Disable specified MFC or MFE channel. When the other unit on the card is also in a disabled state in the software, a message is sent to disable the MFC or MFE card. LED on card is ON when disabled.	basic-1
END	Stop further testing or cancel active command.	basic-1
ENLC card	Enable specified XMFC/XMFE card (Option 11)	
ENLC l s c	Enable specified MFC or MFE card. Response is OK. A message is sent to the MFC or MFE card to turn off the LED.	basic-1
ENLU c u	Enable specified XMFC/XMFE unit (Option 11)	
ENLU l s c u	Enable specified MFC or MFE channel. Response is OK. A message is sent to the MFC or MFE card to turn off the LED.	basic-1
MIDN 0	Reset all idle MFC or MFE cards. Resets all idle MFC or MFE cards and performs loop around tests on all idle channels.	basic-1
MIDN 1	Initialize all idle MFC or MFE cards. Recommended after installation.	basic-1
MTST c u d l	Invoke manual loop around test on unit with specified digit and level. (Option 11)	
MTST l s c u d l	Invoke manual loop around test on unit with specified digit and level. This command performs the manual loop around test on specified unit with specified digit and signal level. MFC-30 tone pairs are tested and verified by the Meridian 1 CPU. Digits 1 to 15 indicate forward signals 1 to 15 (DOD mode) and digits 16 to 30 indicate backward signals 1 to 15 (DID mode). MFE-15 tone pairs are tested and verified. Digits 1-15 represent Forward Signals 1-15 (DID mode). Digit 0 represents the control frequency. Table 20 on 324 presents MFC sender (transmit) levels. These levels are output by the MFC pack and do not include any pads that may be put in by the trunk pack.	basic-1

Table 20
MFC sender/transmit levels

Digit level	Level at S/R card	Digit level	Level at S/R card
0	8 dBm	8	4 dBm
1	11 dBm	9	5 dBm
2	12 dBm	10	6 dBm
3	13 dBm	11	7 dBm
4	14 dBm	12	9 dBm
5	15 dBm	13	10 dBm
6	16 dBm	14	spare (8) dBm
7	31 dBm	15	spare (8) dBm

The MFE signal level 0 = -10.5 dBm level with skew -7.0 dBm control frequency level. Signal levels 1-7 are used for internal test purposes.

The response is **OK** when the unit passes the test and is enabled. If the unit fails the test, the appropriate error message and the TN are printed.

STAT	List all disabled MFC channels in the system.	basic-1
STAT c u	Get status of specified MFC or MFE card or unit.	
STAT l s c (u)	Get status of specified MFC or MFE card or unit. Status is one of: IDLE , BUSY , MBSY , DSBL or UNEQ for both channels.	basic-1
